

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 were pending in the present application, claims 1, 2, 4-6 and 8-21 were allowed, and claims 3 and 7 were rejected. In this paper, claims 3 and 7 are amended to correct minor grammatical errors. As the amendments to the claims are fully supported by the application as filed, no new matter is added by this amendment. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment to the claims under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111. Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1-21 will be pending.

I. THE OBJECTION OF THE SPECIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.821 SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN

The specification stands objected to under 37 C.F.R. 1.821 (d) as lacking SEQ ID NOs in connection with certain sequences. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.125 (b), Applicants submit herewith a substitute specification with appropriate SEQ ID NOs inserted. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.125 (c), Applicants submit a marked up copy showing changes from the specification as filed, and a substitute specification in clean form. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objection to the specification.

II. THE REJECTION OF CLAIMS 3 AND 7 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2ND PARAGRAPH SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN

Claims 3 and 7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicants respectfully submit that rejection is moot in view of the amendments to claims 3 and 7. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 3 and 7 under 35 U.S.C § 112, 2nd paragraph is respectfully requested.

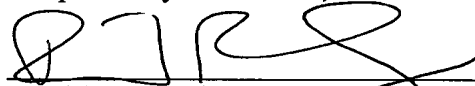
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and earnestly request an early indication of the same.

No fee is believed due with this response other than the fee for the extension of time for response. However, should the Commissioner determine otherwise, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee(s) to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013 (Order No. 949677-999110). A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

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